



Thousands Try To Defraud HKY Ferry Co. Every Month

Official's Startling Disclosures

There is a poster stuck on a pillar at the entrance to the Hongkong-Yaumati ferry. It proclaims in bold black letters, "Passengers are warned that fares **MUST** be paid at the ticket office on the ferry piers." Those who don't pay, the poster warns, are liable for prosecution under section 34 of the Ferries Ordinance. At the side, this lengthy preamble is repeated in Chinese characters.

Despite the bold black letters, the underlined "must" and the threat of a criminal record under section 34, at least 10,000 people ignored this notice in October and attempted to make the 15-minute journey for nothing.

Ten thousand is only a minimum; they represent the unlucky ones who were caught on board without tickets. There were plenty more who crossed undetected.

October was no isolated month. Since May, when 5,000 people were caught, the figure has been gradually increasing and now the monthly average is over 10,000.

The Hongkong and Yaumati Ferry Company, Ltd., is naturally very worried about this. Its Secretary told a Telegraph reporter, "We have gone into this thoroughly and found that the tendency to defraud is far greater now than ever before."

The poster, he said, was no new thing. It had been printed before the war, but in Chinese only. By printing it in two languages it had been hoped to attract more attention and consequently more fares. It did neither.

NOT FOOL-PROOF
How is it that such a phenomenal number managed to get on to the ferry without paying? Most people think the system of buying a ticket at the office, having it checked before boarding and rechecked on board, is foolproof. "But it's not," said the Secretary, and cited these three methods:

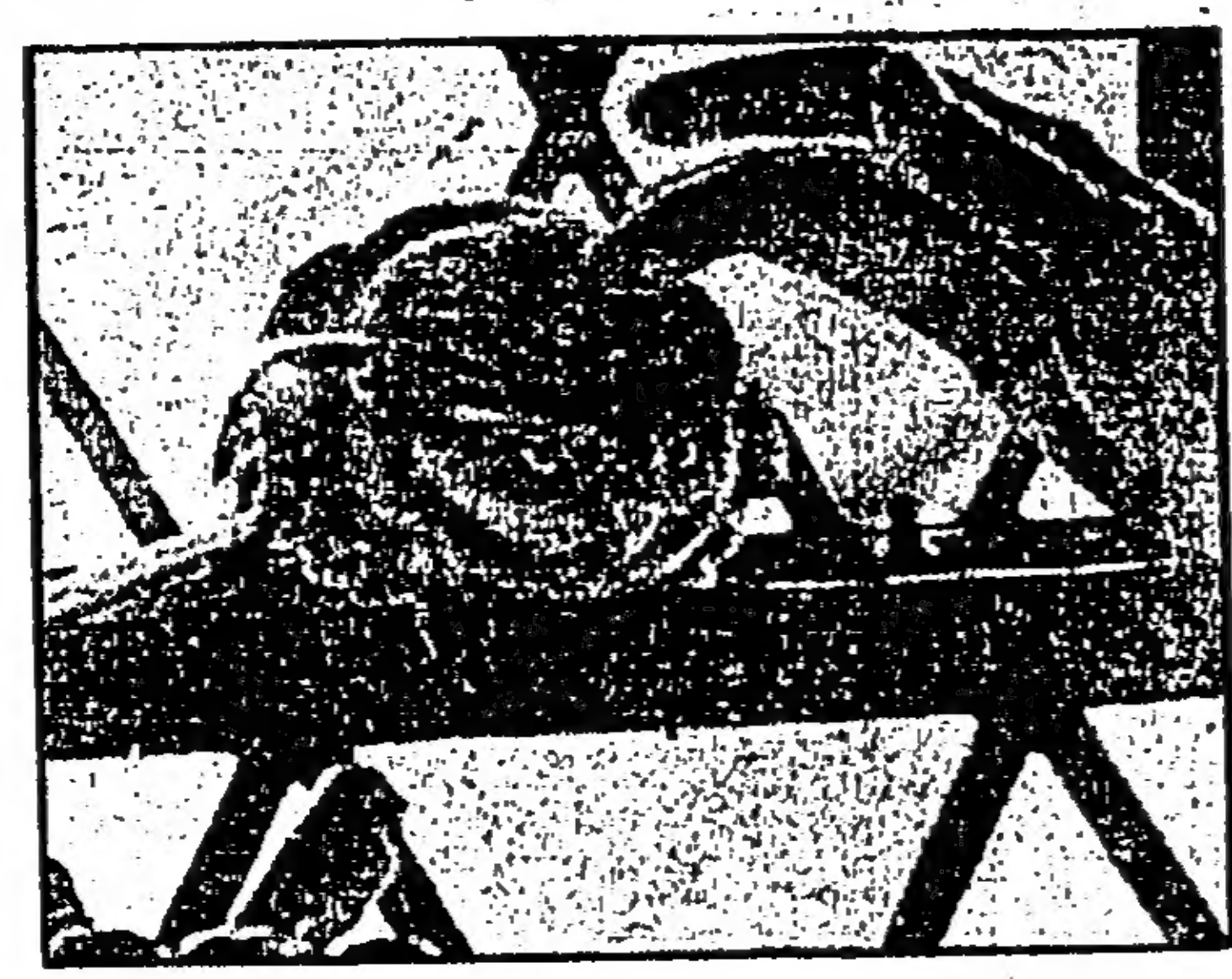
- (1) The majority, on arrival at the ticket office, flick their heads and say, "The fellow behind will pay." There is, of course, no fellow behind.
- (2) Others pass through with nod of the head giving the

SUGGESTED REMEDY

"We don't prosecute unless the person is particularly unpleasant when asked for the fare," said the Secretary. "But people are becoming aware of the company's leniency and are saying to themselves, 'We might as well risk it. If we are caught all they do is ask us for the fare.'"

One remedy which the company would like to adopt is that of making people pay double the original fare when caught. In that way British Railways have put a stop to a great deal of "free-riding," and the ferry company believes it would have the same effect in Hongkong. But the company (Continued on Page 5)

Oswald Joins The Family



INSIDE — perched on window-ledge is Oswald, little owl, and family pet, who flew into W. G. Nelson's house in Birch Lane, Hayward's Heath. Oswald hops around the house, sits on back of fireplace chair or listens by the radio. When whistled he readily flies OUTSIDE and is seen below contemplating lunch. Menu: scraps of meat or fish.

(London-Express Service)



EARL KILLED IN CAR CRASH

London, Nov. 30.—The Earl of Sarnham, 69, was killed late on Tuesday night when his car crashed into a truck near Newmarket. James Walter Grimston was the 4th Earl and 11th Baronet of Sarnham. The title passed to his son, James Erskine Grimston, Lord Forrester of Corstorphine—United Press.

Dean Acheson Lashes Out At Chinese Communists



Vyshinsky Is Challenged To Reveal Soviet Standing Army

Flushing Meadow, Nov. 30.—Mr. Hector McNeill, British Minister of State, challenged the Soviet Union in the United Nations General Assembly today to reveal the world how many men it had under arms.

He was speaking during the debate on the rival East-West plans for world peace and addressed himself directly to the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky.

"The Soviet Union has at least 4,000,000 men under arms whereas we have cut down our forces from 4,000,000 to 720,000," he said.

"Our figures can be verified. But Mr. Vyshinsky has never offered to let his figures be verified."

Mr. McNeill put this direct question to Mr. Vyshinsky. "Does the Soviet Government give priority to world peace or to resisting and directing world revolution? If it is peace, then I suggest that the Government should reconvene the Commission and instruct its spokesmen that they must desist immediately from creating chaos in the world."

"Instead, they should be instructed to concentrate on developing stable and progressive Governments. Only in this way could Mr. Vyshinsky persuade us that his intentions match the resolution he has offered this Assembly."

A BETTER WAY

Pakistan's delegate, Sir Zafullah Khan, declared that Britain and the United States had proposed a better way of serving peace than the Soviet Union.

Referring to the Soviet proposal for a five-Power pact, he asked, "Why stop at five Powers?"

"Let all Powers, great and small, reaffirm their determination to carry into effect to the utmost their obligation under the United Nations Charter," he said.

Mr. Nasrullah Entezam, of Persia, said that he would be happy to satisfy Mr. Vyshinsky's curiosity on the reason why Persia was trying to obtain arms from the United States.

"We need arms to re-organise and ensure order and security," he said.

Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt, and Mr. Stalin had promised aid to her.

"Is there anything amazing about one of the Allies remembering a promise and trying to fulfil it?" he asked.

The Assembly subsequently adjourned until later today.—Reuter.

Manstein To Know His Fate Soon

Hamburg, Nov. 30.—Field-Marshal Erich von Manstein, on trial here for war crimes since August 23, will probably know his fate a day or two before Christmas.

Lieutenant-General Sir Simpson, President, adjourning the British Court today until Monday, December 12, said that a three to four-day summing up would then begin with the verdict following about a week later.—Reuter.

12 Powers To Protest Over The Angus Ward Case

"INDIGNANT" U.S. PUBLIC OPINION

Washington, Nov. 30.—The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said angrily on Wednesday that U.S. officials and the American public are "thoroughly indignant over the inhumane treatment which Communists have imposed on two Communist American naval fliers."

A sweeping attack on Communist China, Mr. Acheson also attacked the "farcical trials" of American Consul-General, Mr. Angus Ward and his staff at Mukden, Manchuria. In a long news conference concentrated on America's ever-growing problems in the Orient, Mr. Acheson firstly said that a fresh U.S. note had been sent to Communist China over the two naval fliers—William Smith and Elmer Bender—protesting the hardship and suffering imposed on the men and their families.

The men have been held incommunicado by the Chinese Communists for thirteen months. Mr. Acheson secondly reported that Mr. Ward is paying off his Chinese employees with dismissal pay up to December 3, in preparation for his leaving Communist China.

Ward and four of his staff were expelled from Peking. Mr. Ward said he is now giving his Chinese employees dismissal pay, but that no definite travel arrangements had been made by the Communists. Mr. Acheson assumed that the Communists would send the American staff—including on American employees, two wives, and four children—to Tientsin whence they would leave by sea.

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THE BLOCKADE
Fifthly, he announced that the United States does not recognise the Nationalist proclaimed blockade of Shanghai. But at the same time he commended "prudent" American shipping lines which avoid the hazardous port.

Sixthly, the Secretary of State said that the U.S. and Britain are constantly discussing Britain's intentions toward recognition or non-recognition of Communist China. But he declined to speculate on what Britain would do.

Mr. Acheson ripped into the Chinese Communist regime over the Smith-Bender case in a voluntary statement which he made as he opened his news conference. He said: "A further letter has now been addressed to the authorities of the recently-established Communist regime at Peking. The Chinese Communist authorities are apparently unaware that international practice of civilized countries for many years has recognised that consuls should be afforded full opportunity for the proper conduct of their duties in protecting their nationals."

"But," Mr. Acheson said, "American consular authorities have been unable even to confer with top Communist officials. Smith and Bender, who were forced down over Communist territory on October 19, 1948 when flying a Navy plane from Tientsin. These men have been held for over a year, completely incommunicado from their consular representatives and from members of their families."

Mr. Acheson, in reporting on the Ward incident, said that Mr. Ward talked on Tuesday by telephone with U.S. Consul-General Edmund Clubb in Peking. Mr. Ward said he is now giving his Chinese employees dismissal pay, but that no definite travel arrangements had been made by the Communists. Mr. Acheson assumed that the Communists would send the American staff—including on American employees, two wives, and four children—to Tientsin whence they would leave by sea.

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VIOLATION OF RIGHTS
Mr. Acheson called the recent shelling of the Isbrandtsen freight "Sir John Franklin" by a "Nationalist warship off Shanghai a violation of American rights. But he said that he Isbrandtsen Line had repeatedly run the blockade into Shanghai and knew the hazards."

The "Sir John Franklin" was the second Isbrandtsen ship to be shelled. Mr. Acheson emphasised that the vessel was attacked outside Chinese territorial waters, in an area where it had every right to be, which makes the Chinese Nationalist Government internationally responsible. "This is a serious matter. Fortunately, no one was hurt."

Mr. Acheson said: "It has been apparent since last June that by (Continued on Page 5)

Appeal To HK Shipping Owners To Use Less Water: Restrictions Hinted

Because of the depleted water resources, the Marine Department has issued an appeal through a circular to all ship owners and agents to exercise the greatest care in taking fresh water from Hongkong and to limit the amount to that required to take a ship to her next port.

The circular adds that the developed water resources of Hongkong are now quite insufficient for the present day needs, and if rainfall is low during the next few years the situation might become serious.

The circular, which is signed by Mr. James J. Jolly, Director of Marine, states that the Water Authority is considering restrictions on the mains supply to shipping, for the daily amount of fresh water supplied to ocean-going vessels, excluding the Royal Navy, is 600,000 gallons a day.

"We are anxious to keep our most facilities as cheap as possible," the circular continues. "The excellent water supplied through the FWD meters is only about a third the cost of the lowest charge in any other port in the Far East."

"Neither do we wish to force the ship owners to apply for water, and have every application scrutinised."

Mr. Jolly told a Telegraph reporter that the shortage was due to the "gently" increased population of Hongkong. At the moment, he said, he was only 45 cents a ton, he said, "We wish to avoid charging more."

EDITORIAL

Reform Club Platform

THE Hongkong Reform Club's proposed platform for making this Colony a better, happier, healthier, more literate and generally speaking more contented place is ambitious, expensive, long-term, but, to the ordinary man in the street, extraordinarily attractive. The platform embraces thirteen headings—legislation, finance, housing, education, medical, welfare, defence, public services, cost of living, agriculture and fisheries, other industries, reparations and general. It is such an enormous feast of delectables as to make it almost indigestible. It is not, of course, intended for immediate consumption; split up into four three-course meals it would still tax the Colony's powers of assimilation. But as a platform, as a target, the Club's propositions are certain to receive popular approval. If all the ideas could be given practical effect, Hongkong would begin to believe that the millennium had arrived! Most of the suggestions advanced by the Reform Club have been stated and restated dozens of times through other media during the past 40 or 50 years, but this does not make them less valid; on the contrary they assume new values because they are today presented by an established body of public opinion, and Government cannot, at a time when the Colony is displaying signs of becoming articulate, ignore or dismiss them. The problem is to decide which are first things, whether they involve Hongkong in heavy expenditure, and if so, whether we can afford them. It is presumed the Reform Club appreciates this and has proposed an all-embracing programme, not intended to be implemented in full immediately, but to be put into practical effect when, and how best suited to our capabilities. Any endeavour to do more than this will create the farcical result of everything attempted and nothing done. And while the Reform

Club will probably have no difficulty in winning widespread approval of its platform, it may easily run into trouble when it comes to deciding which are first things, more especially those propositions which involve heavy spending. Does Education rate higher in priority than Housing, or Welfare superior to Medical Services, or the development of industries to Public Services? There will be ardent protagonists for each and every one, all striving to win precedence for their particular interest or pet reform. The Club proposes "strict control of Government spending" and simultaneously advocates development schemes and other improvements that will cost a mint of money; this suggests a paradox, though in reality it does not exist. Both recommendations are worthy; it is a question of applying them in such a manner that they become complementary. And it is noticeable that the Reform Club, endeavouring to be practical as well as ambitious, admits the inevitability of increased taxation. Can the general public be induced to swallow that pill? If it can the Reform Club will have paved the financial way for the introduction of several of its admirable development schemes; if it can't, its platform will lose much of its popular appeal. The suggestion made at this time is that while the Club's platform deserves unanimous approval as a blueprint for the future, the Club should, to start with, concentrate on winning constitutional reform, of bringing about a hopper and more confident relationship between Government and the people by means of fuller publicity about Government actions and expenditures, and of encouraging the Colony to become more active in its own interests. From this foundation much can be accomplished in the years to come in the way of improving social, public, welfare and educational services.

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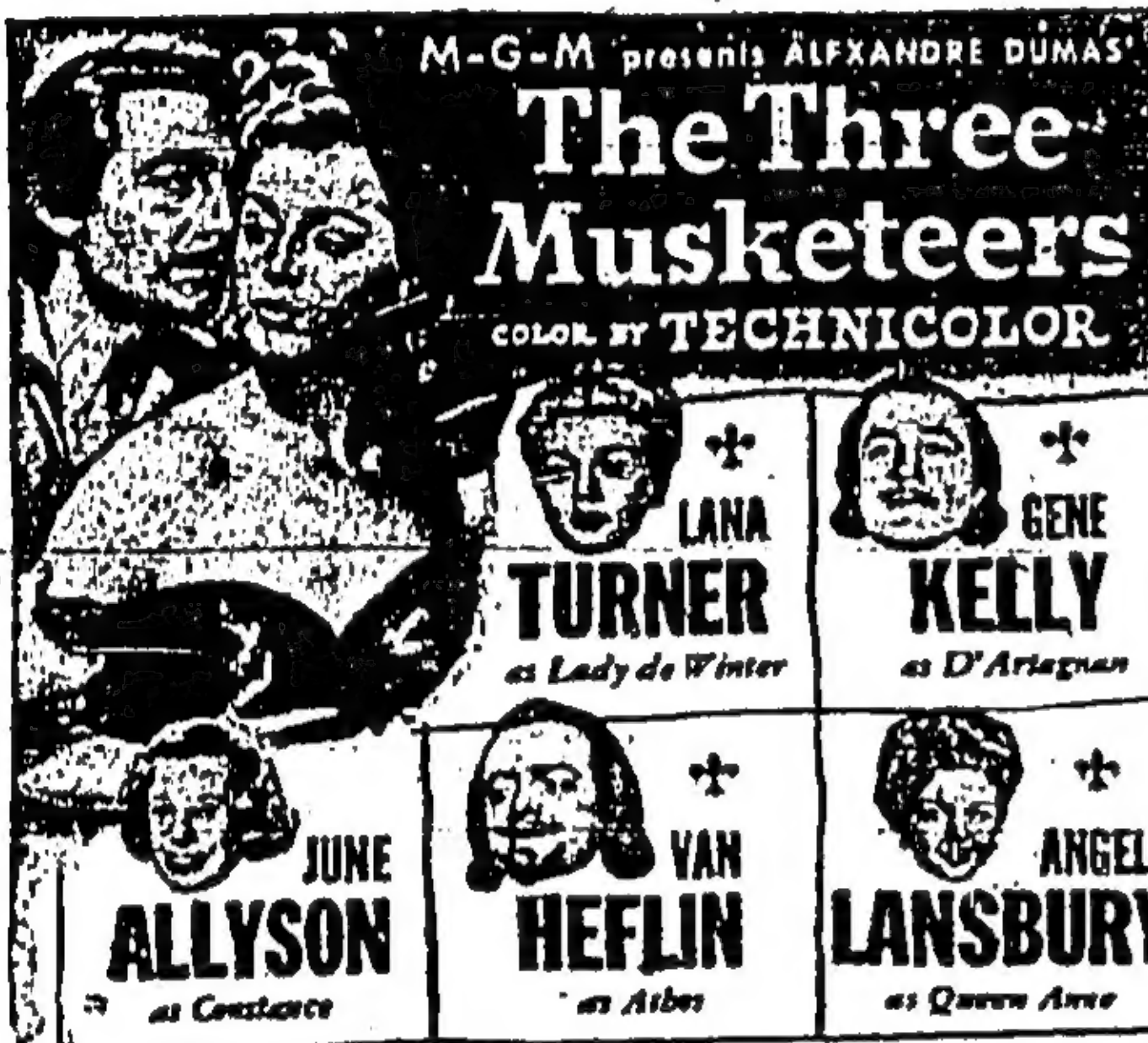


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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR
ADVERTISING

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WOMANSENSE

Tip to Toe
Accessories

By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

WHILE the little hat, worn afloat, is important, the bonnet appears to be holding its own, and indeed, is slated for increased popularity as new models appear. This casual bonnet has a high crown that is puffed above the broad grosgrain ribbon band. The oval box bag in antique with a mirror in the lid has a silver disc, placed centre front, to take initials. Suede, fashions these afternoon pumps made with cut-out vamp and a single strap with bow trim at one side. All of the accessories are brown.

Festive
Colour
Tips

SUDDENLY it's good again—the old red magic. Red is ready to be sold again—in complete costumes or in accessories as a gay accent. It shines forth in any number of items—it gives a holiday sparkle to otherwise quiet pieces. Red is new again—for accessories it means excitement and a new costume accent. A perennial holiday colour has new fashion prestige—it has Paris backing, too, to add to its appeal. Here are some red tips:

1. Red Belt—red suede with satin criss-cross overlay narrow at back and fastens with soft buckle. Accent for black, navy, gray.
2. Red Necklace—Florentine style in ruby red cabachons has tiny rhinestone and gold metal fluted plaques. Motif is larger at front and a series of chains from closing at back.
3. Red Umbrella—red calf ferrule and gold chain handle seemed in gold. A slender stick of red to give holiday cheer in stormy weather.
4. Red Pins—triple cluster group in shades of ruby from palest to deep for new shapes in fancy cut stone group pins.
5. Red Satin Vanity—clutch bag neatly framed in metal for a smart "red handed" touch for after-dark costumes.
6. Cherry Cuff—red boxed envelope bag with gold twist lock—a bright feather touch for fur coat, winter suit tweed costume.
7. Red Glove—long gloves, pored for flare on the inner side. Hand sewn, these offer new in red gloves as a holiday or gift item for favouring a winter costume.

GENTLEWOMAN



THE look of a gentleman for lady, a "Prophetic" fashion from the Neiman-Marcus Autumn Fashion Exposition, is interpreted in a black, wool Chesterfield overcoat with the customary velvet collar and split back skirt.

What Paris Women
Are Wearing

PARIS. THE 80 boutique models show by Pierre Balmain combine simplicity and chic with discreet details reminiscent of the Far Eastern influence so much in evidence in the autumn collection of this house. Neckline effects, double skirts, skirts slit at sides with assorted or contrasting trousers of same length are decidedly oriental. Other skirts have straight fullness; some are gathered and mounted on narrow bands, others are gored, sometimes alternating two fabrics such as velvet and supple cloth. Sleeves are usually mounted with slight, round padding.

Supple Berets
Supple berets, in black or coloured velvet, are shown in most models, some of them adjustable through a drawstring. Others are trimmed with flowers. Wide, comfortable coats with large raglan sleeves are often belted in self fabric. They come in fleecy woolen in black, beige, or natural. Jersey, and woolen machine knitting are widely used here.

GLAMOUR
OFF THE
SCREEN

By PATRICIA CLARY

ONE of the few film queens who still upholds the glamour tradition of satins, diamonds, yards of mink and black-long limousines is Joan Crawford.

While other film dolls are busy being just folks in public, Miss Crawford dresses more like a star off the screen than she does on.

"She has a natural flair for glamour," her personal designer, Sheila O'Brien, said. "That's the kind of woman she is."

Miss Crawford tones down her glittering wardrobe for film. She dresses simple, but well, usually starting, Crawford fans will remember, in a waitress' uniform.

"Movie clothes" have to be quite conservative," Miss O'Brien explained. "If a star wears the fashion of the moment in a picture, she's completely dated when the picture is released six months later."

Wears Painted Clifton
As an example of Miss Crawford's personal fashion preference, Miss O'Brien cites the Case of the Painted Clifton. This is a fluffy white evening gown, hand-painted with birds and bees and flowers, in which Miss Crawford floated to a Hollywood party.

The Miss Crawford in Warner Bros. "The Victim," her next picture, will be almost as chic as the Miss Crawford of Hollywood parties.

"She's going to be dressed like Mrs. Harrison Williams or Mrs. Walter Chrysler," Miss O'Brien said.

She wears, among other things, a "breath of spring" mink (cost a \$2,000 name for gray) with a mink stole bound around the waist with a jewelled belt, a few dozen plain and fancy evening gowns, a blue romper with no back and daintily short pants, and another beach outfit which leaves her more undressed than dressed.

"She doesn't have a rag," Miss O'Brien swore, "that the world's best-dressed women wouldn't be proud to wear on the Riviera."

Headdress
For Dress-up
Season

WITH the dress-up season approaching, head-dresses come into their own. Perfectly adapted to the short hairdo, this year's designs are pretty and imaginative. They are especially adapted to party clothes and can make even the simplest costume right for cocktails or dancing.

High, rising tendrils of curled vulture and a puff of stripped hackle make a profile head-dress well suited to the date or dinner dress.

A pair of lame orchids, perched on a velvet band to dramatize the evening gown. They come in a long list of high shades from gold, silver and bronze to red and mauve. Realistic autumn leaves and mottled golden berries composed as an unusual headband. Particularly good with tweeds and autumn and winter woollens it has a pert, youthful look.

Red and black velvet bows form a halo around the front of this mob cap. Strands of velvet tubing cross the back of the head and the cap is mounted on wire for security; a sake ideal for the little black velvet suit that is so important now.

Machine knit loose cardigans are worn with pleated skirt. Sweaters are dressy: A black woolen one crosses at back and is decollete; it is embroidered with black beads and worn with a black velvet skirt.

Ribbed tricot bands are important for trimming. They finish necklines, or replace hem at bottom skirts, as in a brown velvet dress worn with a jersey Spencer.

Colour Contrasts

Many rayon jersey two-piece ensembles made of gathered skirts and matching pullovers with cross at back and have raglan sleeve movement at front. Fabric combinations, a Balmain specialty, are in evidence in this collection: Many short and cocktail evening models have wide, discreet filmy skirts of lace or net and velvet bodices. Colour contrasts are also notable and include a gray faconne taffeta skirt worn with a pink satin bodice.

Shoulder details are important in Vera Borea's collection of easy-to-wear comfortable clothes. Known for her smart sportswear, Madame Borea has concentrated this winter on coats and basic dresses with amusing details.

Sleeves start low on the shoulders and are trimmed with epaulettes, cuffed effects or little pocket-like flaps which appear on the tight sleeves of a coral woolen dress whose belt is small and pointed at back.

Pleats are also important here: They usually start at shoulder yoke and are either accordion or flat types. An aqua woolen dress has back section accordion pleated in this way. Basic black dresses have removable accordion pleated panels or aprons and are otherwise slim and buttoned to the waist in front, or arranged diagonally on bodice skirt.

Coats are wide here with mounted sleeves whose armholes go almost to the waist. They are sometimes belted and are often reversible. Yellow and gray, black and red, and yellow and black recur throughout the collection.

Accessories are important in the collection. A pompon-trimmed scarf has a pocket at one end and can be used as a bag; a leather suede belt forms a bosque in front.

THE TWINS TAKE TO THE AIR



British Overseas Airways have twin air hostesses. They are the blue-eyed, blonde Gordon girls of Berkshire. Barbara and Sheila are on the Atlantic routes, Sheila on the flights to South and East Africa. Sheila is younger of the pair by ten minutes. This will be their first parting. Even in the WRENS during the war—on work so secret that the family still do not know what it was—the Gordons were together. But on their twenty-third birthday, while Sheila was at home cutting the cake, Barbara would be in New York.

(London Express Service)

The Clumsy Adolescent

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

YOU know some adults who often drop things, often stumble over things, often fall often injure themselves, and break things. You also know some children, say from 6 to 16, who seem always to be getting hurt or getting their clothes torn or always breaking something. If you will observe any such child closely you may discover that he makes many useless movements. He certainly does not strike you as very calm and poised. More often than not this sort of child is just entering adolescence (11 to 14), when physical growth may be very rapid and co-ordination poor. Emotional factors are big then. The boy or girl conscious of his increasing size and other physical changes, feeling that adult conventions are being expected of him, and, on, so fearful of ridicule, grows more uncertain and less poised emotionally and physically.

Called Awkward
This child will be dubbed by older children and adults as awkward or careless. His parents ridicule him before their friends for his "awkwardness." They nag at him alone for his "carelessness." As a result, he may suppose that he will always be failing over things, bumping into things, breaking things, and always be tortured with ridicule and jawing.

Whatever the age of the "awkward" or "careless" child, we parents can help him most as we cultivate in ourselves an intelligent, humane, understanding attitude toward him, so that we no longer feel an urge to ridicule or scold him. Rather we will try to build him up in self-regard and feeling of worthwhileness. We will have him checked carefully by the physician and look into his programme of work and recreation. If we prove to this child that we really understand him he may be ready to take our suggestions about ways for him to relax and calm down and still have more good times with others of his age.

Slow Down

One simple way he can reduce his awkwardness and seeming carelessness is to slow down as he is moving about in the ordinary course of daily activities. Some of these "awkward" children are always rushing hither and yon so fast and with no apparent reason, that they increase their likelihood of bumping into things, stumbling, falling or dropping things.

Some physical education experts can devise good corrective exercises for these children. All so special dancing, folk dancing or social dancing offer some possibilities. There are even better possibilities in sports. We parents can do much to calm down the child by cultivating more poise in ourselves; gentler movements, quieter voices, lots of talking. But the greatest means of helping this child is inside of us; our feeling, understanding and actions toward him as a person.

Housework Is Hard on Hands;
Give Them Good Beauty Care

Rough elbows spoil the effect of lovely hands and arms. If you are troubled with them, apply a little baby oil and rub gently with pumice.

By HELEN FOLLETT

BEAUTIFUL hands make a strong appeal. To have them poorly white, smooth of surface, skin of fine texture is not an easy matter. If women could sit "on a cushion and sew a fine seam" there would be no hand problems. What woman would want to do that? Life would be dull.

Women are working as never before. Many of them who never had a dishcloth in their hands are doing their laundry work, washing windows, giving the family car an occasional bath. All of which means that hands should have extra special attention to combat exposure to dirt and grime. Unwashed and untended hands grow old, take on wrinkles, just like the face.

Hands cannot be concealed, they cannot be disguised with make-up as can the complexion. Nothing to it but getting down to a daily routine of care and protective measures.

Be fussy about the soap you use. If it is necessary to employ strong cleaning agents, don't fail to wear rubber gloves. You will find them of thin rubber, easy to slip on and off, not like those we used to have that were thick and clumsy.

If your hands are sensitive, massage them at bed time with a nourishing cream. Slip on large cotton gloves, wear them over night. The flesh will be soft and smooth in the morning.

The wrists should be massaged along with the hands, not only to keep the skin surface of fine texture and good colouring, but to promote flexibility. Unless the wrist is flexible, hand movements are likely to be awkward.

Give your elbows a little attention. Maybe there are beautiful elbows, but your reporter never saw any that inspired raves. The skin is coarse there and, because the elbow is a natural hinge, there are bound to be folds. Cup your elbow in the palm of your hand, mould it, knead it with your thumb. Apply a little baby oil to soften the skin. Do not fail to use a hand lotion every day of your life. Takes only a minute, works wonders.



Let's Eat

BY
IDA BAILEY ALLENUse Quick-Cooking Tapioca
For Thickening Your Soups

"WILL Madame be seated?" smiled the Chef, setting a chair at the table in the test-kitchen. "I have something for you to taste." He went to the range and ladled out a cup of steaming soup.

"Very nice, a different chicken cream soup."

"Oui, Madame, I made the stock from the framework of the roast chicken."

"Yes, you used some celery, parsley, and a little marjoram; strained the stock, added a little cream and then thickened it with—"

"Tapioca," Madame, the quick-cooking tapioca. And as you see, I added a little chicken fat from the bones, and on top is a dusting of minced parsley. I believe this quick-cooking tapioca can have a very useful place in the kitchen. For instance, sometimes we may not care for a thick soup. It is very easy and quick to thicken it to a delicate consistency by sprinkling in 2 tbs. quick-cooking tapioca to a quart of soup, and boiling about 5 minutes, when the tapioca will be clear."

A Quicker Way

"That's a much easier and quicker way than to use butter and flour cream, together and it tastes good in any soup."

"Now here's another thing about quick-cooking tapioca, Madame. After our personal appearance stage shows, very often several homemakers ask me how to keep the juices from running out of the fruit pies while they are baking. I say, use a little tapioca—2 tbs. mixed with enough fruit for a 9" pie plate is the right amount. And that is just what I did with this pie. From the pantry he brought out a beautiful-looking covered pie, with a design of leaves cut from pastry, baked on the top crust. He cut a small wedge.

"Observe Madame, the effect of the tapioca. The pie doesn't run and it is easy to cut. This filling was made of cranberries and odds of fruit in the refrigerator—a few fresh strawberries, a saucer-full of pink rhubarb, 2 slices pineapple, 1 cup up, and some unseeded green grapes. There are even better possibilities in sports."

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PICTORIAL NEWSFRONT



EVERYONE'S IN ON IT—Members of the rowing club of Twickenham decided they needed a new boathouse, and the cheapest way was to build it themselves. Here they load bricks for transportation to the building site via a brick brigade.



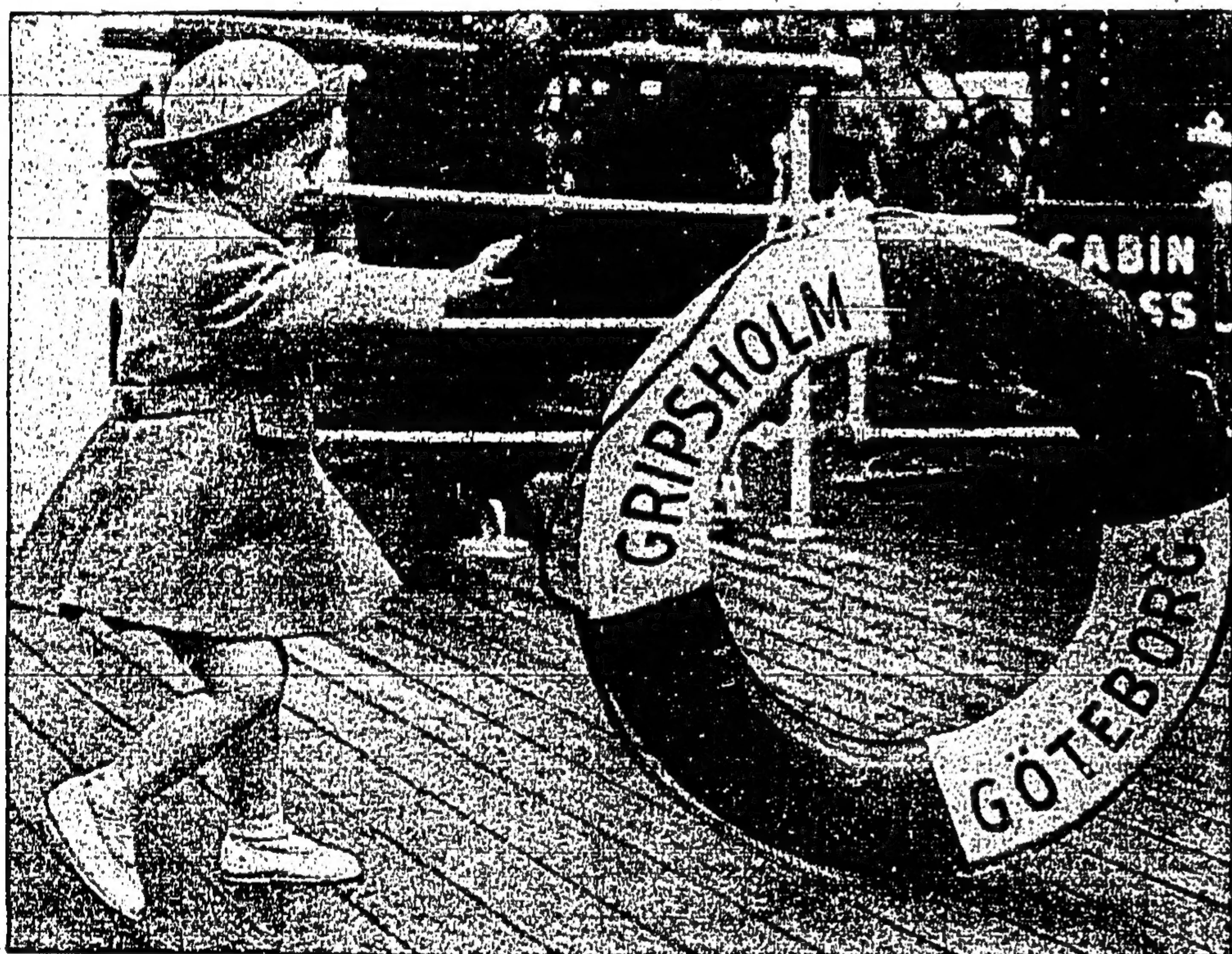
HE'S 75—Raymond Duncan, Biblically clad brother of the late dancer, Isadora Duncan, arrived in New York from France in time to celebrate his 75th birthday.



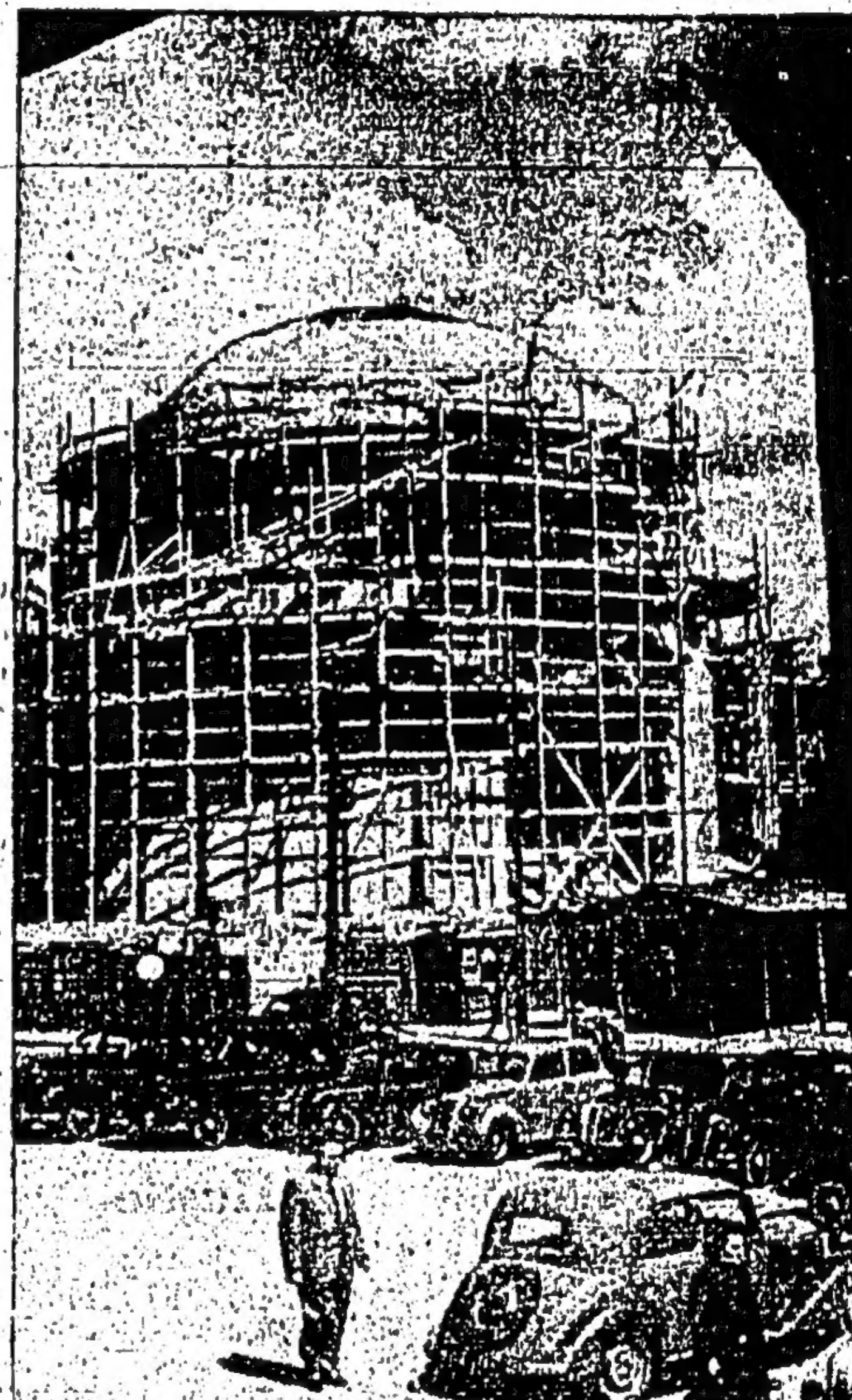
NEWS IN BERLIN—This newsboy is giving some papers to a vendor in the British sector of Berlin. German newsboys deliver about 2,000 daily papers on their bicycles and work seven days a week to supply the newstands.



GREETINGS—Frank "Lefty" O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Seals, now touring Japan, shakes hands with Crown Prince Akihito and Prince Masahito, right, before a game with the Eastern All-Stars of the Japan Professional Baseball League.



FUN ON DECK—When Caroline De Beshe arrived in New York with her parents, she had fun while they were busy with the luggage. Her father is with the Swedish Embassy in Washington.



RISE FROM ASHES—The Catholic church of St. Alexander in Warsaw, Poland, was totally destroyed by the Nazis during the war and is now being rebuilt. The restoration of churches is said to be part of the general plan of reconstruction.



CANINE COMPETITION—This German shepherd dog successfully reaches the top of an eight-foot wall in a competition held in Paris. Fifteen of the best trained police dogs from all over France exhibited their skill in jumping, running, fighting, attacking and guarding a suitcase despite threats and attacks.



BRINGING 'EM BACK—Bob Forrest watches a log he has just hooked to a salvage hoist in Port Angeles, Washington. Forrest dives for sunken logs and recovers them for lumber people who put them to good use. So far he has salvaged over 4,000 pieces of water-logged timber.



SAFE PERCH—Somehow, Tabby the kitten always feels safe from canine annoyance when solidly perched in the mane of this huge stone lion. It may be the feeling of assurance Tabby gets from good family relationships that makes him take up this post in front of a London antique shop after a dog-chasing stroll from the butcher shop where he lives.



STUDENT—Leanne Banning, 18-year-old student of Hollywood, has signed a movie contract. She also wants to become a Sunday School teacher.



WELL-BREAD GENTLEMEN—Though they appear to be "loafing" on the job, these men are judging loaves of bread at London's second annual exhibition of Bread and Confectionery in the Royal Horticultural Hall. Half hidden behind the samples of bread are L. Jenkins (left), of the National Association of Master Bakers, and E. Cooper.



FLOWER GIRL—Lovely Liddy Darnell has been chosen "Miss Chrysanthemum of 1949" in honour of U.S. National Flower Week. The popular screen star poses with some of her favourite flowers.

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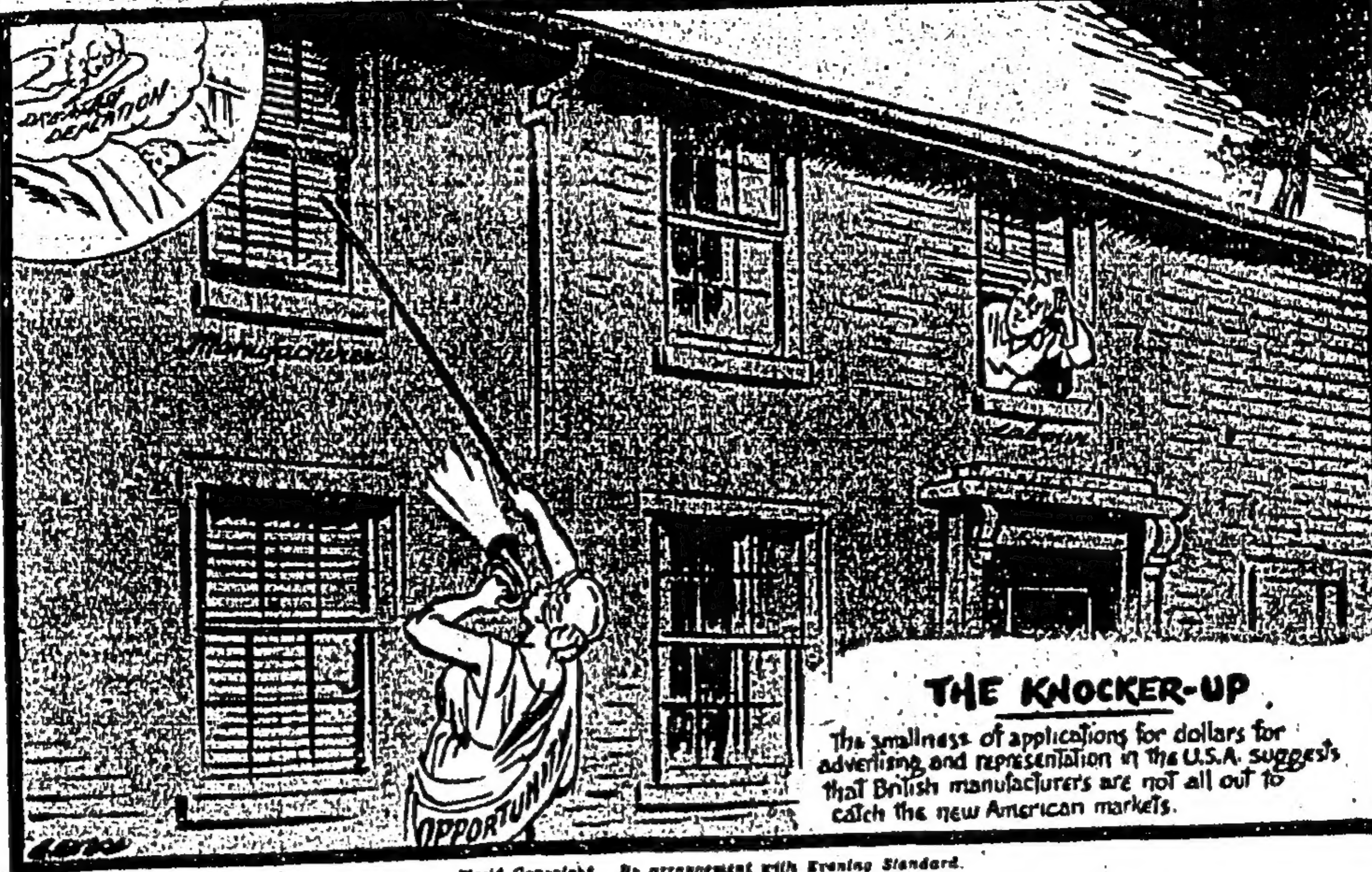


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Portugal has kept her modern empire whole in Africa, India, China, without the use of troops. Timor, freed from the Japs, is peaceful and happy again.

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Lisbon housewives for many years bought goods from the colonies which the Government could have got more cheaply from alien markets.

Public works in Portugal were put aside so that men, money, and machines could go out to the empire.

By these efforts colonial output was doubled, trebled.

Now the reaping. Portugal's empire offers her cheap and plentiful commodities.

Portugal has become a great power in many vital ways. Today she grows all her own cotton.

Groundnuts and other oilseed provide her with all the fat she needs and a surplus to export at high prices.

All this has been accomplished without the correction, help, or counsel of the United Nations.

Comment

I SOUGHT out in Lisbon the Colonial Under-Secretary, Senhor Rui de Sa Carneiro, to ask him if Portugal's absence from U.N.—is not a handicap.

"A handicap?" he said. "Yes, but not to us. It is the United Nations who are losing—by the benefit of our experience. The majority of members show an incomprehension that can only come from a complete ignorance of colonial affairs."

Vasco da Gama, in today's strange world, would scarcely have put it otherwise.

(London Express Service)



Arrows pick out the Portuguese world.

by CHARLES FOLEY

Last year Beira handled 364 ocean-going ships. It is being extended fast, like several other ports. One of these, Natal, can take several Queen Marys. From the Azores, which have been harvesting dollars from the Indian colony of Goa—which is exporting largely to the British Empire—the Portuguese are busy. And racing outwards from Lisbon goes a wave of emigration; thousands of settlers fill all the ships.

Early empire

THERE is nothing fresh about the Portuguese going ahead overseas. Vasco da Gama rounded the Cape and planted his flag in India in 1497.

Portugal went empire-building in Africa, not in Victorian topees but in the steel casques and breast plates of 1935.

During the century after da Gama, almost half the population—one million Portuguese—sailed off to find new homes. It was the greatest human investment made by any nation.

While Britain aims to make independent nations of her colonies, Portugal insists on regarding her possessions simply as provinces that happen to be overseas. The natives as soon as they are civilised have the same opportunities as the settlers.

What is the result? When Nehru says Goa must have Home-rule like the rest of India, the Portuguese answer:—

"Our highest posts at home as well as overseas are open to any Portuguese Indian regardless of race, regardless of religion. All our peoples have something much greater than the chance to rule themselves—they can help us to govern the whole empire and homeland on a footing of absolute equality."

Now has this policy of political assimilation and common citizenship worked out? Here is a contrast:—

BRITAIN since the war has abdicated her rule in India, Burma, and Ceylon. Nationalism is flaring up in West Africa and other colonies. Every day British troops are being killed in Malaya, which we liberated from Japan.

NEWS FROM HOME

FOUGHT "RED KNIGHT":

ONE of the few 1914-18 war pilots to have survived combat with Baron Manfred von Richthofen—called the "Red Knight" because of his all-red machine—Mr. J. A. V. Boddy, of Rothley, Leicester, is one of the recently appointed new local magistrates. In November, 1917, Lieutenant Boddy, RFC, fought Richthofen over battle of Cambrai. His machine crashed into a tree. Boddy wounded, was rescued under heavy fire by a tank crew. Later, a squadron comrade, Captain Roy Brown, shot down the German "ace". In the last war, Mr. Boddy was a Home Guard administrator. He is on the national executive of the British Legion.

STILL "PEGGING" AWAY:

RESTING from his many summer exhibitions at local shows and gymnasiums, 62-year-old Mr. R. Donovan, of Nottingham, whose pastime is lent-pegging on horseback, using an ordinary bayonet to pick up a speed a 3 1/2 in. wide peg. He has been 26 years in a Regular Army cavalry regiment and served in many places abroad.

STEP UP:

WORCESTERSHIRE'S first woman police inspector is Miss Margaret M. Jones, promoted from the rank of sergeant. She has been in the Force since 1942. During the war she served two years with the RAMC attached to the Royal Corps of Signals. Her father was formerly Police Superintendent of the Bromsgrove division.

71 APPLICANTS:

DARLINGTON'S new Civil Defence (General) Inspector is Lieutenant-Colonel F.P.C. London, chosen from 71 applicants. He was in the Royal Marines from 1917 to 1948 and his last appointment was as second-in-command of the Marines Barracks, Portsmouth, where he was also officer in charge of civil defence.

MADE IN SHEFFIELD:

WORKERS in the clogging and hiltet mill of Steel, Peck and Tozer, Ltd., Sheffield, have rolled 799,999 tons of steel in the last 12 months. It exceeds by more than 80,000 tons the previous year's output and is a world's record.

WEIGHING THE MAYOR:

WHEN the unique custom of weighing the Mayor, councillors, and officials of High Wycombe recently took place, it was found that 14 of the councillors had put on weight—several by more than a stone—and four had lost weight since last year's ceremony. The weighing Mayor was among those who weighed less and were cheered by the crowd. There were jeers for those who had gained.

BUMPER hospitality is manifest in Lisbon every time the White Ensign is sighted. It is seen wherever the Royal Navy puts in throughout the Portuguese empire—an empire that marches alongside Britain around the globe.

Today there is fresh news of this forgotten empire. American officials are looking up the airways routes. Business is booming.

The unknown empire offers singular contrasts to our own. Viceroy are not sent out from Lisbon to liquidate possessions. Witchcraft is superseded by the doctrines of Saint Paul rather than the writings of Marx and Strachey.

Finally you hear no talk of white man's burden or coloured man's rights. Throughout this area the United Nations, which calls other colonial countries to account has no say.

In spite of this lack of political modernity there is vast activity in the scattered patchwork of Portugal's dominions.

Hustle

TAKE a British witness, Sir Godfrey Huggins. This energetic Premier of South Rhodesia has just visited Portuguese Africa, and spoken of the skill and hustle that is transforming it.

Huggins found the Portuguese had poured millions of pounds into the two great regions that flank land-locked Rhodesia—Angola, bigger than the Union of South Africa, and Mozambique, with 1,600 miles of coastline.

But Portugal is not content to serve her own needs with a network of new communications and industries. She wants to move the riches of all Central Africa through her ports.

She already handles the chrome and uranium from Rhodesia. America's hush-hush uranium from the Belgian Congo: even coal from Johannesburg to Cape Town by way of Beira pier. Later, at a cost of £6,000,000, the Portuguese have taken over from a British company the Indian Ocean port and railway of Beira, one of the finest south of the Equator.

The General Bans A Book By A Soldier

By Maurice Brown

THE Americans hanged Tomoyuki Yamashita more than three years ago. This Japanese general was better known to the British as the "Tiger of Malaya" for it was he who directed the capture of Singapore.

At the end of the war in the Pacific, Yamashita was the commander of the Japanese forces in the Philippine Islands.

After his surrender in September 1945 he was brought to trial as a war criminal by order of General MacArthur. He was sentenced to death on the fourth anniversary of Pearl Harbour, December 7, 1945.

In the memory of most of us, swift justice had been meted out to the man responsible for the deaths of 60,000 Filipinos and Americans.

WAS it justice? The American lawyers who defended Yamashita, all officers in the US army, do not think. One of them, Captain A. Frank Reel, has written the story of the trial.

His book, *The Case of General Yamashita* (University of Chicago Press), tells of the events that led a group of junior officers to appeal over the heads of their superiors and MacArthur himself to the Supreme Court of the USA.

The charge against Yamashita was that he had "unlawfully disregarded and failed to discharge his duty as commander to control the operations of members of his command, permitting them to commit brutal atrocities... thereby violating the laws of war."

This charge, later to be described by Supreme Court Justice Rutledge as "vague and not vacillating," raised a new principle of responsibility—that a commander is a criminal if he commits atrocities, whether or not he knows that he has committed them.

Yamashita was held to be guilty because he was technically in command of the area where the crimes occurred.

The defence established at the trial that the forces who committed the atrocities in Manila were not under Yamashita's effective command.

He had ordered the evacuation of the town. Twenty thousand naval troops remained behind because the Admiral commanding them had decided to obey an earlier order issued by the Japanese navy.

When most of the atrocities occurred Yamashita was far away in the hills and out of contact with these troops.

There were other crimes, too. But the prosecution were unable to establish that Yamashita had ordered the commission of any, or that he knew they had occurred. It was enough that he was nominally in command of the entire area.

(London Express Service)

Yamashita was judged by a Commission of five U.S. generals. None of these was a lawyer.

They acted according to the terms of General MacArthur's directive setting up the Commission and the rules for its conduct.

They permitted the prosecution to produce evidence of hearsay and opinion, much of it at second and third hand. Affidavits from witnesses who were thousands of miles away at the time of the hearing were allowed in evidence.

The defence, therefore, had no opportunity to cross-examine these witnesses.

An American propaganda film, *Orders from Tokyo*, was admitted in evidence.

Made well before the end of the war, the film erroneously depicted all the death and destruction in Manila as the responsibility of the Japanese.

Throughout, the defence was impeded by the haste of the Commission. The five generals, says Reel, were impatient of objections. "This continual insistence on the right of cross-examination was wanting valuable time! It amounted to insubordination!"

The trial lasted little more than a month. General MacArthur hurried its close by radio.

After the end of the hearing, the Commission pronounced judgment inside 48 hours.

Punishing the anniversary of Pearl Harbour, the Commission pronounced Yamashita guilty as charged and sentenced him to hang.

AGAINST heavy opposition from their military superiors, the defence lawyers arranged an appeal to the Supreme Court of the USA.

A majority of the justices of the court ruled that the case did not come within the jurisdiction, but passed to verdict on the fairness of the trial.

General MacArthur, in learning that the Supreme Court had refused to accept jurisdiction, hailed the conviction of Yamashita as "beyond challenge."

That, in brief outline, is the story told by Captain Reel. His book was published in the USA just over two months ago. Recently a Tokyo newspaper reviewed it briefly.

An officer of MacArthur's headquarters has since advised Japanese editors and publishers not to review or publish the book. The advice has been obeyed.

Captain Reel throws the responsibility for framing the terms of reference of the Commission upon General MacArthur.

His book is a powerful and detailed piece of advocacy. General MacArthur would do well to pay it the compliment of a reply as an alternative to banning it in Japan.

(London Express Service)

C.V.R. Thompson Reports The American Scene

NEW YORK.

JUST after dawn one morning recently, six sleepy New York newsmen clambered aboard the still-moving liner America to report her arrival. They were met by a cheery Englishman named William Jones.

"We'll do your work for you, he promised, and he showed reporters into a comfortable lounge and set them down in front of a British-made TV set.

Then Mr Jones put up a British-made TV camera outside on the deck and transmitted to the lounge receiver the whole arrival scene—passing the Statue of Liberty, tying up, and celebrities going ashore.

Result of this British enterprise is that newspapers all over America reported that Mr Jones and four colleagues from

a British TV company had arrived to sell up to \$2,000,000 worth of equipment.

"We're here," Mr Jones told me, "because with devaluation the British have a bit of a price edge over American manufacturers."

He brought five tons of samples with him. "We are champing at the bit for orders," he said.

WATCH for attacks on General Eisenhower. American Labour's top political strategists have decided that the general is the only man who can defeat President Truman in the 1952 elections. Truman has been so pro-Labour that these strategists want to keep the Democrats in power. And so they will do their best to see that Eisenhower is "neutralised" long before 1952.

BIBLE READING, which is compulsory under law in all New Jersey schools, will be banned if Donald Doremus, member of a Secularist group, wins the suit he filed in Paterson. Said Mr Doremus, "Some portions of the Bible are so filthy that some day it will be barred from the U.S. mail."

SHOW BUSINESS: Hollywood announces its most ambitious clean-up campaign. A new council of 35,000 film people, headed by Star Ronald Reagan, said it will try to drive from Hollywood all the "extortionists, shake-down artists, and other criminal elements who seek to entrap and prey upon the unwary and the unwise."

NANCY Right in Style



SOAP THAT SPELLS BEAUTY



Vyshinsky Walks Out Of Political C'ttee

REFUSES TO HEAR CHARGES BY "KUOMINTANG CLIQUE"

Lake Success, Nov. 30.—Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, the Soviet Foreign Minister, walked out of the United Nations Political Committee today when the Chinese delegation charged that Russia had given active aid and assistance to the Chinese Communists.

Economic Problems Discussed

European Experts Get Together

Paris, Nov. 30.—The three committees of economic experts from France, Italy and the Benelux today started seeking ways and means of liberalising trade between their countries.

These preliminary studies, which may lead ultimately to the formation of a regional economic union, known as "Eritulux," began yesterday at the French Foreign Office.

Today the committees on general questions, economic questions and financial questions worked separately on draft projects which were being studied tonight by the Steering Group consisting of the five heads of delegations, meeting under the chairmanship of M. Herve Alphand, Director of the Economic Division of the French Foreign Office.

No communication was expected until Saturday, when the conference would probably wind up, it was stated in conference circles.

French delegation circles stated tonight: "A favourable impression emerged from first contacts."

Apart from ironing out difficulties in the fields of currency convertibility, easing of the import licence system and capital transfer control, the conference is faced with two issues of a non-technical order, namely, whether Britain and Germany shall be asked to join the Union.

If the conference decides to invite other nations, a joint draft will in due course be submitted to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, an OEEC official said today.

The next stage, however, will be for the conference to submit a first draft to the respective governments who will reconvene the conference when they have defined their respective attitude towards the document.—Reuter.

Hooded Men Arrested

Vienna, Nov. 30.—Two hundred armed Austrian police, aided by Russian troops, have arrested three out of four "hooded men" heavily armed bandits who have been terrorising the Ybbitz district of Lower Austria for over a week.

Two Ukrainians and a Pole have been netted, according to unofficial reports here tonight. The "hooded men"—so nicknamed because they wear waterproof hoods and caps over their partly Russian-type uniforms—were armed with machine-pistols and are alleged to have been responsible for several murders, rapes and robberies.

The police believe that the men, whom they describe as anti-Communist partisans, crossed the frontier from Czechoslovakia on November 22.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

12.30—Hong Kong Calling—Programme Summary: 12.30—"We Looked for Eldorado" (BBC Broadcast for Schools) (BBC7); 1.00—A Short Organ Recital by Arnold Richardson, from St. Mark's, North Audley Street, London (BBC7); 1.05—La Danse des Franciscains (Studio); 1.10—World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 1.15—Sports Review—by Bill Phillips (Studio); 1.20—"Take it from Here"—with Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards, BBC Overseas Orchestra Conducted by David Papp (BBC7); 1.30—"From the Editor's Desk" (London Relay); 1.35—"It's Dancing Time"—featuring the Dance Orchestra of St. Paul's, The Buffs, (Relay from Forces Educational Centre, Kowloon); 1.40—"At the Opera"—Der Rosenkavalier (Richard Strauss) Act 2, Vienna Philharmonic, conducted by Robert Hegerl; 1.50—Society and Home News (London Relay); 1.55—Weather Report; 2.00—BBC News; 2.05—Dekker (Studio); 10.30—Thursday Serenade—A Programme of Continuous Music (Relay from Home); 11.00—Five Minutes and His Orchestra; 11.15—Weather Report; 11.30—BBC News; 11.45—Recorded One-Act Play, The Kiss; 11.50—Close Down.

As the main Political Committee's chairman, Mr Lester Pearson, called upon Dr Tsiang Ting-fu to begin the debate on the Sino-Russian dispute, Mr Vyshinsky rose on a point of order, saying "We consider the Kuomintang delegation devoid of any powers because it does not represent the Chinese people. It is incompatible with the dignity of the United Nations to deal with this question."

Rapidly echoed by the representatives of the Ukraine, Byelorussia, Czechoslovakia and Poland, Mr Vyshinsky warned the Committee that the Kremlin would not recognise as legal any decision taken on this issue.

"POLITICAL TRICK"

"This is a political trick dragged in by the hand to conceal the bankruptcy of the Kuomintang clique, which can no longer hold the Chinese people under oppression. The Soviet states will not participate in the consideration of any question submitted by the Kuomintang delegation, which has already been deprived by the Chinese people of any and all powers," he said.

After he had finished speaking, Mr Vyshinsky walked out of the Committee room, but his deputy, Mr Jacob Malik, remained in the Russian place at the Committee table.

Mr Pearson reprimanded Mr Vyshinsky, saying: "There is no 'Kuomintang clique' represented in this Committee. The delegation I have called upon is the delegation of China recognised by the United Nations in its Credentials Committee."

27,000 WORDS

Then Dr Tsiang began again to read a 27,000-word statement outlining the Nationalist charges against Russia.

He charged the Kremlin with creating "threats to the independence and territorial integrity of China, and the peace of the East through violations of the UN Charter and of the Sino-Russian treaty of 1945." Yugoslavia joined Russia in condemning the Chinese charges. The Yugoslavian delegate said: "The Communist Government has won the right to represent the Chinese people. It has the confidence of the Chinese people. This is a grievous question: whether we can continue to allow the Nationalists the right to represent China in our organization."

CREDENTIALS VALID

Mr Pearson replied: "The credentials of the Chinese delegation are not in question. Their credentials were accepted upon joining the General Assembly. Until this decision is revoked they continue to represent China."

Dr Tsiang urged the United Nations members to withhold recognition of the Peking Government.

He described Russian aid to the Chinese Communists as "imperialism in all its nakedness." It was an "immoral and cynical" programme of aggression, and a flagrant violation

of the territorial integrity and independence of a member state of the United Nations. "Therefore," said Dr Tsiang, "it is a violation of the (UN) Charter."

Dr Tsiang then turned to Soviet policy in other Asian areas on its borders and accused the Kremlin of virtually annexing the "so-called independent state of Outer Manchuria and charged it with aggressive designs against Sinkiang.

IRON CURTAIN

He alleged that the Russians aided the Communists by giving them all war material captured from the Japanese, by supplying them with additional Soviet weapons, by training their troops both in Manchuria and in the Soviet Union, by permitting them to use Japanese "puppet troops and bandits," by refusing to permit Nationalist occupation forces to enter Japanese-held territory, but permitting the Communists to take over as the Russians withdrew.

Dr Tsiang said: "The extension of Communist control in China means a simultaneous extension of the iron curtain to China."

"The process is divided into stages. The preliminary stage is that of a bamboo curtain. The second stage is a wood curtain, and the final stage is the iron curtain."

"Today Manchuria is sealed behind the iron curtain. Battles have been fought, but Chinese people have not yet pronounced their decision and judgment."—United Press.

Public Works Programme For Mid-East

Lake Success, Nov. 30.—A scheme for a public works programme in the Middle East, aimed principally at providing work for Palestine Arab refugees, was presented to the United Nations today.

The United States, Britain, France and Turkey sponsored the proposal put before the United Nations Special Political Committee.

The scheme follows closely the recommendations of the economic survey mission, headed by Mr Gordon Clapp, of the United States, which recently recommended that direct relief for the refugees should be continued only until December 31, 1950, on a scale that would be gradually reduced.

It also recommends that the number of persons receiving relief should be reduced from 940,000 to 852,000 by January 1, 1950.

Under this four-power resolution, the Near East Relief and Works Agency would carry out in collaboration with local governments, the direct relief and works programme as recommended by the economic survey mission. It would also consult with Near Eastern governments on the measures to be taken when international assistance was no longer available.—Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"What good would it do to tell you who hit me with a rock? You couldn't even catch him, let alone slug him!"

HATTERS THROW A PARTY



Hatters from all over Britain held a "Headgear Through The Ages" show in London on St Clement's Eve, last month. St Clement, who was tied to an anchor and dropped into the sea in 220 AD, is the patron saint of Hatters, some of whom are shown here enjoying a quiet "shop" talk.

New Labour Group's Invitation To Catholics

London, Nov. 30.—The Free World Labour Conference here decided tonight by 46 votes to eight to invite European Catholic trades unions to join the new Trade Union International to be launched next week.

The invitation was issued on the understanding that they give effect to the principle of affiliation to one trade union international. This implied that the Christian trade unions must disband their own international.

About 2,750,000 workers are involved.

The only strong opposition to the proposal came from Miss Manibea Kara, of the Indian Hind Mazdoor Sabha, and M. Guy Rozemont, of the Mauritius Trades Union Council.

"DANGEROUS"

Miss Kara suggested that it was a dangerous precedent to admit any organisation owing allegiance to any one other than the working class.

M. Gaston Tassier, of the French Coedaction of Christian Workers, declared that all Christian unions wanted to cooperate with all other free unions in the interests of the whole movement, but he did not express an immediate opinion on his Union's attitude toward affiliation to one trade union international.

A greeting from Malaya was given at the conference by Mr Che Mohd Yusoff Bin Mohd Noor, Malayan observer at the conference, who is attending with a Chinese and an Indian representative from the same country.

TUC THANKED

"We thank the Trade Union Congress for their courage in inviting us to London," he said, describing the Malayan representatives' light-heartedness as "three musketeers from Malaya."

"We came to prove that today Malaya is on the map by itself and for itself," he continued.

DEAN ACHESON LASHES OUT

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reason of the Nationalists' naval and air activity in the port of Shanghai and its approaches, the area was in effect an area of hostilities and in consequence hazardous.

He said the Chinese Nationalist Government, or any other government, has the legal right to close a port, and if it maintains an effective blockade, to arrest any ship which attempts to breach the barrier. But he added that in a case where a government merely proclaims a blockade and is not able to enforce it effectively, it can only seize ships when they are in actual territorial waters. He said, therefore, the Chinese Government would be accountable for any loss inflicted on a ship outside territorial waters.—United Press.

"We are not all bandits," he added. "You see, I have no revolver."

The Malayan representative, who spoke in the name of the Working Committee of the Malayan Trade Union Delegation Conference, reminded the delegates that his organisation was only three to four years old.

He said that they were being devoured by the blue and white bandits and the Government in Malaya, but whatever happened they intended to go on preaching trade unionism.—Reuter.

Defrauding Of Ferry Co.

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has not the power to impose such a penalty.

The Secretary has recently written to Government asking that the company be so empowered. It is understood that the matter is being considered.

What are these frauds costing the company? If they continue in such high numbers it will cost them nearly \$25,000 a year in fares alone. This is working on the Secretary's estimates that the company inspectors catch 50 percent of the culprits, leaving another 10,000 who travel scot-free.

Fares, however, are not the only way in which the company is losing money. "If everyone were honest," the Secretary hypothesised, "we could half the number of inspectors we employ. As it is we pay out more to take someone to court than the offender. He is usually fined \$10. Half a day's pay for an inspector is certainly more than \$10."

Reference to section 34 and all the majority, if not all, of these legal jargon fails to frighten the reader of the poster. The section merely says that "no person shall travel by a ferry without first having paid his proper fare. It mentions nothing of penalties, although it is understood that complete violation of the regulation could mean a fine of \$1,000.

"There seems to be a thrill for some people to avoid paying their fare," the Secretary said. "Some, I am sure, say to themselves, 'Hurrah, I have had a free ride.'"

Until the company are empowered to double the fares of the cheats or apply some measure to stamp out the racket, it looks as if a lot of people will go on saying "Hurrah, I have had a free ride," and the ferry company will go on losing \$25,000 a year.

Briton Indicted On Smuggling Charge

Newark, New Jersey, Nov. 30.—A man described as George Wilson of London was among seven men indicted by a Federal Grand Jury here on a charge of attempting to smuggle a surplus military plane to Europe during the Arab-Israeli war.

Also named in the indictment was Sam Hanna, alias Salim Hanna, an Egyptian.

These two were disclosed to be abroad.

The indictment charged the seven men with fraudulently attempting to deliver a two-engine, Mitchell bomber to England.

Britain's Scotland Yard joined the United States Federal authorities in investigating the case. Mr. Charles J. Tyne, First Assistant United States Attorney said.

The group bought the surplus plane at St. Louis and ferried it to Newark Airport where they gave false affidavits

Moslems Urged To Adopt Metric System

Karachi, Nov. 30.—The adoption of the metric system for their currencies, weights and measures by all Moslem countries to help the flow of trade was recommended today by the Trade Committee of the Islamic Economic Conference here.

The Committee, whose deliberations are considered here as being most important for the outcome of the Conference, today completed its report under the chairmanship of Tahir E'tesam, of Persia.

All its recommendations are aimed at increasing the flow of trade within the Moslem world. It suggests that a series of bilateral trade agreements be concluded, with a balance of trade established, where possible, to avoid payment difficulties.

Reciprocal preferences are also recommended, and countries with common boundaries are asked to accord each other concessions to increase frontier trade.

The Trade Committee also recommends that each Islamic country should have freedom of transit through other member States in accordance with the International Trade Organisation Charter drawn up at Havana and urges all members to accord non-discriminatory treatment to the nationals of other Moslem nations wishing to start businesses in their territories.—Reuter.

A-Bomb To Be Used With Troops?

Washington, Nov. 30.—General J. Lawton Collins, United States Army Chief of Staff, told a Press conference today that "serious study is being given to applying the atomic bomb to infantry tactics."

This represents a departure from earlier military thinking," he continued.

"In the first years after the war military men felt that the mass destruction characteristic of the atomic bomb meant that it would be useful only for strategic attacks on cities, and would be too powerful for use against troops in the field," he continued.

Chungking "Changes Hands"

Chungking, November 30.—Telegraphic authorities said today that Chungking "changes hands" at 5 p.m. today.—United Press.

South African Call For Resignation Of Minister

SEQUEL TO THREAT OF CENSORSHIP

Capetown, Nov. 30.—The Cape Times suggested today that the South African Prime Minister, Dr Daniel Malan, should call for the resignation of Mr C. Erasmus, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, over his recent utterances about the transmission of news overseas.

At Pretoria yesterday, Mr Erasmus denied that his recent statement that "people who send reports to newspapers overseas slandering South Africa... must not expect of me that all their reports will reach their destination" meant the introduction of a Press censorship.

But legal steps were being taken against a South African newspaperman, the writer of an article sent to 110 overseas newspapers which had described Africans as "an uncouth patois" and "a truly bastard language."

Mr Erasmus had said that if the Post Office Act was not sufficiently strong to prevent the transmission of such material abroad, the Government would not hesitate to consider its amendment.

Today's Cape Times said that whether the Minister was "manoeuvring" to avoid the consequences of recklessness or admitting an "astounding degree of incompetence," he had shown himself unworthy of the continued confidence of the Prime Minister.

"GOLDEN CHANCE"

The pro-Government Die Burger welcomed Mr Erasmus's assurance about censorship but added: "The world must have an assurance that no information or opinions, however ill-disposed and harmful, be stopped at our borders. Otherwise, the small band of professional slanders will get a golden chance of raising their standard to 'true stories' the State is holding back."

"We think even a strict interpretation of the Post Office Act would be seized upon by such people to elevate their pernicious work and increase their incomes."

"The most effective means of coping with the evil they do is without doubt persistent exposure, continual answering and a constant stimulation of public opinion."—Reuter.

NEED FOR JUSTNESS

Wakkerstroom, (Transvaal), Nov. 30.—Mr N. C. Havenga, the South African Finance Minister and leader of the Afrikaner Party, said here today that the Union could defend itself against outside criticism only by standing united and by treating non-Europeans fairly and justly.

Mr Havenga, who was unwilling a memorial to citizens killed in the South African War, said that the Union, besides satisfying her own conscience, must act in such a way as to be able to say to the outside world: "It is untrue that non-Europeans are oppressed here."

"My people still think of a republic here," he continued. "You may cherish ideas, but a republic could not give you more liberty than you enjoy today."—Reuter.

NEW PETROL PUMP STATION

A New petrol pump station is being constructed in Salisbury Road, Kowloon, at the foot of Na Han Road, for Caltex Oil Products Ltd.

The company expects the station to be ready for service in three weeks' time.

400,000 U.S. Miners To Walk Out

Strike Feared Inevitable

Pittsburgh, Nov. 30.—A United Mine Workers' official said today that America's 400,000 soft coal miners would walk out of the pits at midnight.

Mr James LeCorre, Board member of UMW, said: "Only a last-minute telegram from Mr John L. Lewis can stop a new strike. The original truce announcement still stands. When the clock strikes midnight, the miners will go out."

As the midnight deadline neared, operators and miners anticipated the start of the fourth major coal shut-down of the year. However, in Alabama, night-shift miners reported for work at three p.m. for the night shift as usual. In the past, Alabama miners have walked out several times before the actual strike deadline.

Operators reluctantly began preparations to shut down their pits again as the three-week strike truce drew to a close. Gloom spread throughout the towns which dot the coal fields.

One miner from Uniontown, Pennsylvania, voiced the general sentiment:

"We miners feel pretty bad not working for Christmas. We have not been buying ahead because we were afraid of another strike. We just have to take it as it comes."—United Press.

NO INTERVENTION BY LEWIS

New York, Nov. 30.—Mr John L. Lewis, the miners' leader, has failed to take any action to prevent the strike from beginning at midnight tonight. He called off a meeting of his top officers, who were to have decided whether to call off the strike. It was the third day that the policy committee's meeting had been called off a short time before. It was due to start.—United Press.

PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post and Hong Kong Telegraph Staff Photographers are on view in the Morning Post Building.

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South West North East
1 Pass 2 Pass 3 Pass 4 Pass 5 Pass 6 Pass 7 Pass 8 Pass 9 Pass 10 Pass 11 Pass 12 Pass 13 Pass 14 Pass 15 Pass 16 Pass 17 Pass 18 Pass 19 Pass 20 Pass

Opening—♥3

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

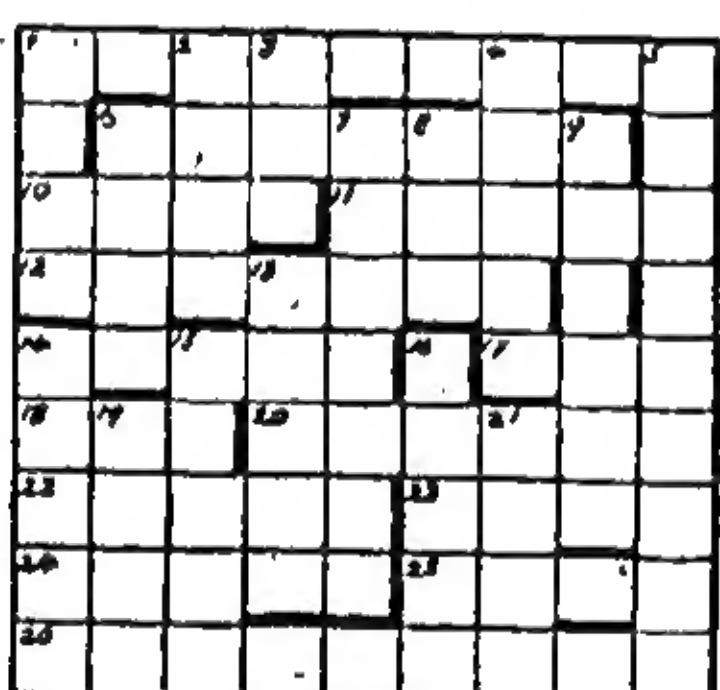
THE annual contract bridge teachers' convention conducted by Charles H. Goren of Philadelphia was held at the Park Sheraton Hotel in New York City. Teachers from all parts of the country will gather there for a course in the latest methods of teaching contract bridge.

Goren gave me today's lesson hand, which brings out the point that players who complain about guessing wrong could eliminate the guess by proper technique. We will probably never play an evening of bridge without hearing someone say, "If only I could guess them right!"—yet in the majority of cases the guesswork can be eliminated.

First, a word about the bidding. Over one spade North jumped to three spades, which is a stronger bid than four. A jump to four spades tells your partner that you cannot see any prospect of a slam, but you think there is a game in the hand. A jump to three spades tells your partner that you are sure there is a game, and you think there may be a slam. South did not bother to use the Blackwood convention. He made a direct bid of six spades.

In the play the opening lead of the three of hearts was won by declarer with the ten. Now if South could guess the diamond or club correctly, he would have no problem. But why not eliminate the guess? Take two rounds of trumps, cash the ace of clubs and lead the queen of clubs. It makes no difference who wins it. A diamond return will give declarer a free diamond finesse, and any other return will give him a ruff and a discard.

CROSSWORD



- Across
- Modern version of cooler-monger (10)
 - A source of pride in one's cap (5)
 - Told in a wangle (4)
 - In reverse before an upset trial and the chemical appears (7)
 - Will (5)
 - As in it there is a contract (5)
 - Cobbler's tool used in trowsers (5)
 - Ascending 22 Across (6)
 - "So all day long the battle raged" (Tennyson) (5)
 - Adjective presumably equally applicable to coals or blue balls (4)
 - Taken by those who utilize the use of the land for self-protection (5)
 - The Emperor Vespasian embraced it rather than governed it (4)
 - With grace and dignity (9)
 - Down
 - Not the door to miss (4)
 - Adjective, what the (4)
 - Patented practical joke (5)
 - It was tomorrow the day before (10)
 - Pat and forty too (4)
 - Interests in a mine (7)
 - A had one is not to be trusted (5)
 - Heeding (6)
 - Over use or upside down (6)
 - You can do it to attendance. The owl and the pussy cat used to be by the light of the moon (5)
 - She produces oil to whole or in part (5)
 - Down part of the headress (5)
 - Gathered by the absent-minded (5)
 - Stop-drying, house (4)

- Solutions of yesterday's puzzle—Across:
1. Aff. 2. Sorrow 3. Sorrow 4. Sorrow 5. Sorrow 6. Sorrow 7. Sorrow 8. Sorrow 9. Sorrow 10. Sorrow 11. Sorrow 12. Sorrow 13. Sorrow 14. Sorrow 15. Sorrow 16. Sorrow 17. Sorrow 18. Sorrow 19. Sorrow 20. Sorrow

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Malt and hops. 2. A necklace or other ornament worn as a charm against evil. 3. The book in which the chief events of a voyage are entered. 4. The opposite side from which the wind is blowing. 5. In the St. Lawrence River, near Lake Ontario. 6. A believer in Mohammedanism.

DUMB BELLS

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

When you serve my guests, be careful that you don't spill anything.

You can count on me, I don't talk much.

Check Your Knowledge

1. From what is beer made?
2. What is an amulet?
3. What is a log-book?
4. What is meant by the leeward side of a vessel?
5. Locate the Thousand Islands.
6. What is a Mussulman?

(Answers at foot of Column 1)

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Early-Morning Conversation

—Knaft Had a Talk With the Milk-Wagon Horse—

By MAX TRELL

GIDDAP, the Milk-Wagon horse, was standing in front of the house, hitched to the white milk-wagon. It was still very early in the morning. The milk-man was off, setting bottles of milk and cream on the steps of various houses on the street. Meanwhile Knaft, saying Giddap, from the window, hurried downstairs to have a chat with him.

"Good-morning, Giddap!" he said. "To Knaft's surprise, the milk-wagon horse hardly seemed to hear him, or even to notice that he was standing in front of him. Knaft finally touched him gently on the neck and Giddap looked up with a start. "Oh, good-morning, Knaft... good-morning." "Is anything wrong?" asked Knaft.

"Nothing wrong," said Giddap. "Well, I might as well tell you the truth. There's a great deal that's wrong. I'm getting very worried." "About what, Giddap?" "About myself—about my work—about what's going to happen."

Knaft, who was very fond of Giddap, and tried to know anything, begged him to explain. "It's the trucks," said Giddap. "There aren't very many of us horses left to pull wagons any more, even milk-wagons which don't have to go very fast and have to stop in front of so many houses on so many streets. But even so I'm afraid the trucks are soon going to take our place. There just aren't going to be any more horses working in town much longer."

Giddap paused for a moment or two to shake his head sadly, then went on. "How different it was in the old days. And it wasn't really so long ago, either. You see horses would be working in town then; pulling ice-wagons and moving-wagons, dragging great wagons loaded with barrels and boxes, or coal, or loads of sand, or lumber and bricks for building houses. What wonderfully those days you would see in those days—horses and men with broad backs and muscles like iron, yet with gentle eyes and fine manners! Or those black beauties—the fire horses—who would race through the streets with bells clanging and whistles blowing and the spotted fire-dogs dashing alongside.

"Do you know—no, I suppose you don't," Giddap continued, "that the trams themselves, the cars that people rode on, used to be drawn by horses? Oh, they were a sight to be seen! "But the finest work that horses ever did—and I remember my grandfather telling me all about it—was when we were hitched to a covered wagon. Then we took whole families and all their furniture from the towns in the East near the Atlantic Ocean, all the way across the country to California. It took many weary months. There were the Rocky Mountains to cross, and the great open deserts where for days no one could find a drop of water. But we got there—yes, we horses got there, with all our people. Those days are gone... gone, gone." And Giddap shook his head sadly again as the milk-man returns and drove him slowly off.

Rupert and a Mare's Nest—15

Next morning Rupert carefully packed up the strange seal and set off. "Tell Constable Growler just where you found that seal," says Mrs. Bear. "I wish we could keep it," smiles Rupert, but it looks precious, and the person who dropped it must be worrying about it." He notices that a blackbird, after fluttering round and listening to what he says, flies rapidly toward the wood, but he thinks no more about it until he finds his way barred by dozens of birds who fly in his face making a great noise. "What have you got in that pocket?" they scream. "Show it to us at once!"

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By Harry F. O'Neill

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RECORDED MUSIC

BEECHAM'S VERSION OF "TAPIOLA"

By DELOS SMITH

AFTER a long time without hearing it, Jan Sibelius' tonal evocation of the Finnish forest god, Tapio, is as chillingly strange as ever, and as stimulating. Sibelius art, of course, still the playing and something to do with the result and this recorded performance by Sir Thomas Beecham and his Royal Philharmonic of "Tapiola" is full of merit. "One is its management of tempo which avoids monotony without recourse to mood-shattering oppositions. Another is the clarity of delineation among orchestral elements, shifting pattern of lights, shadows and colour. The recording quality on the 45 rpm 7-inch discs is magnificent. (RCA Victor) four 12-inch standard or 7-inch 45 rpm.)

A piano player with the sense to make the most of the masculine qualities of Chopin deserves rousing applause. He not only is opposing the lace-making mode of playing Chopin—which in its extremes can be disgusting—he is also getting from the music what it contains. This recording of the Fantasia in F Minor, the Fantasia-Improvisation in C-Sharp Minor, and the Barcarolle in F Sharp issued under the title, "A Chopin Recital." He is an artist who has grown enormously in recent years as these records of good but not exceptional mechanical quality, will demonstrate to you. (Columbia, three 12-inch standard or one side of one 12-inch LP.)

Yet Another "Fifth" Despite unflagging enthusiasm for Beethoven's Fifth or "Fate" Symphony, you cannot get

excited over yet another recording, to add to the score and more in existence. It is by the Boston Symphony and Koussevitzky, and one compliment may be paid to it instantly—it is much more composed than conductor, being a straight-forward reading and undeviatingly honest. Still, I prefer the old Mengelberg version, which is not straightforward but goes deeper and exposes more. (RCA Victor) four 12-inch standard or 7-inch 45 rpm.)

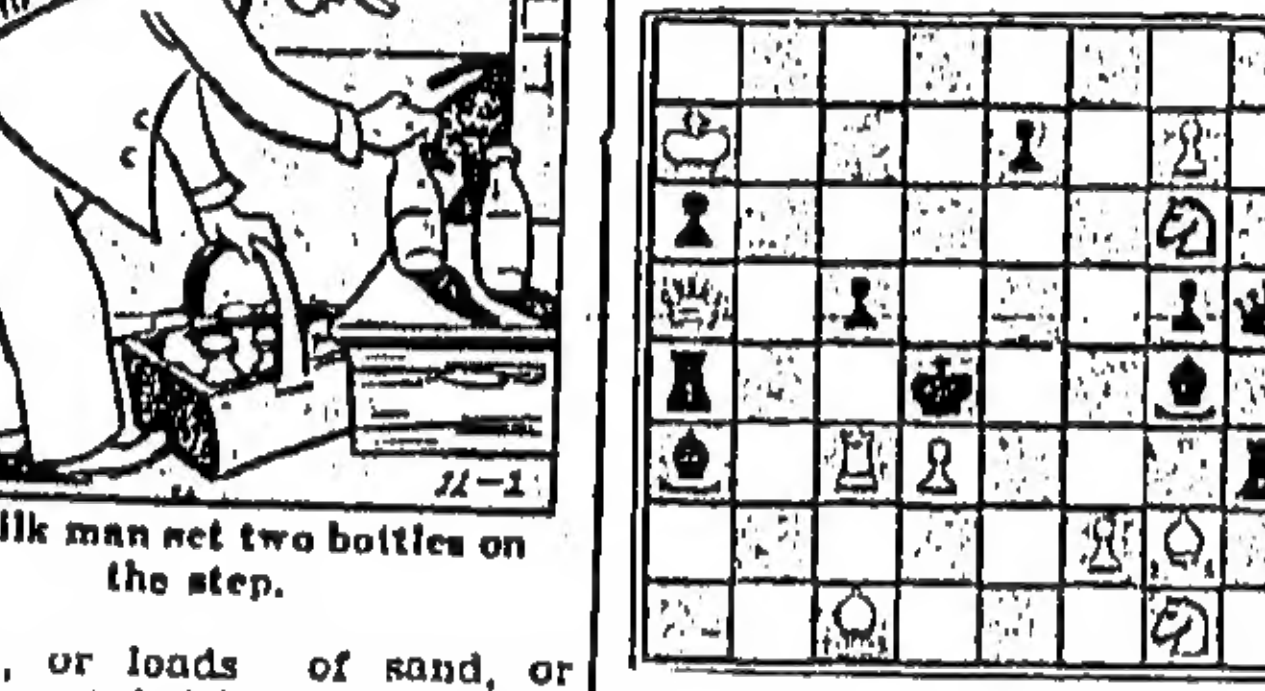
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CHESS PROBLEM

By W. and S. PIMENOFF

Black, 10 pieces.



White, 10 pieces. White to play and mate in two. Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. B-K8, any; 2. Kt (d4 ch, or d4 ch) mates.

YOUR BIRTHDAY .. By STELLA

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

BORN today you are a natural tender and know how to get along well with all kinds of people. This adaptability will help you toward success. Quiet and reserved on the outside, you have considerable force within and exert it when needed. You have your own ideas and dislike being interfered with when you are undertaking a job. Don't let yourself get a "power" complex, for that would ultimately defeat all your intentions.

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE discovery that wingless chickens have only two toe-nails may have an important effect on the export drive.

Chickens toe-nails are used to make the tiny flanges on the upper rim of strike force for writing-spokes. They replaced mica for this purpose two years ago, being less resilient and therefore easier to re-set. The new backless pigs have no toe-nails at all, and the hairs on their ears are used to make delicate struts for smoked glasses used in eclipses of the sun, not to mention the moon. The reverse is true of the web between ducks' feet, which are treated with silicone and made into door-plugs and stoppers for leaving-spokes. Left: Mrs. Hampton. Right: Mr. Hampton. Inset: Seagulls off Northampton.

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Back Seat Driving By United Nations

LORD LISTOWEL PROTESTS IN HOUSE OF LORDS

London, Nov. 30.—Lord Listowel, Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, protested in the House of Lords today against "back seat driving" by the United Nations in British colonial matters. The U.N. seemed unwilling or unable to draw the dividing line between the supervision of trust territories and interference in British colonial administration all along the line, he said.

ZIONIST PRESSURE DENIED

New York, Nov. 30.—Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, a prominent figure in world Zionism, denied in a speech here that American Zionists were attempting to exert any pressure on the Government of Israel through the control of funds given to the new state.

Mr. Silver resigned from his post as Chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency for Palestine in February after a dispute with Mr. Henry Morgenthau, General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

He spoke last night at a dinner held by the Manhattan branch of the Zionist Organization of America to mark the second anniversary of the United Nations Palestine partition resolution.

Mr. Silver said: "I should like to comment on a notorious issue, which has been before you from time to time, to the effect that American Zionists are attempting to put pressure on the Government of Israel through the control of funds."

"In my considered judgment, Zionists both here and in Israel would do well to drop this issue once and for all as a false issue and a mischievous one."

"No one is trying to direct the policies of the Government of Israel unless the existence of separate Zionist parties in the United States and elsewhere, with their inherited propaganda which are far from the establishment of the state, is in itself a form of interference."

"In that case all Zionist parties, left, right and center, should be abolished. Perhaps the time will soon come for their amalgamation into an all-embracing organization of friends of Israel," Mr. Silver declared.—Reuter.

Woolton's Sign Of The Times

London, Nov. 30.—Lord Woolton, chairman of the British Conservative Party, said today that the defeat of New Zealand's Labour Party is "a sign of the times."

"The political issues in New Zealand are basically the same as those existing here," he told reporters.

"When the time comes, the people of this country will not lag behind their kinsmen in showing the world the right road to follow."

The ruling Labour Party in Britain is expected to call a general election early next year.—Associated Press.

Nazi Policeman Shot Jew

Berlin, Nov. 30.—A German court in the Russian sector of Berlin sentenced a former Nazi policeman to death for the murder of a Jewish friend in 1945, the Nacht Express reported today.

The newspaper said that Kurt Novitsch, 35, was convicted of "a crime against humanity." The court heard from witnesses that Novitsch shot Kurt Jacobson, fearing that his Nazi superiors would learn that he had been friendly with a Jew.—Associated Press.

Britain, he said in a debate on Britain's African colonies, placed her trust territories voluntarily in trusteeship to avoid the suspicion that she had annexed colonies from a vanquished enemy.

The proper role of the United Nations was surely to watch, criticize, admonish if necessary, and supervise generally the conduct of the administering authority and not take any part in the administration process.

"We cannot allow any outside authority to usurp a function we regard as essential to sound administration," he said.

The clause of the United Nations Charter placing Britain under an obligation to give information about economic, educational and social conditions in the British colonies was being used as a means of encroaching upon her "unqualified responsibility for our own colonies."

NO RIGHT

Britain was now being asked for information on the political and constitutional development of the colonies. "It looks as if the intention in some quarters is to establish the counter-part of the Trusteeship Council, which will subject the colonies to the same scrutiny and criticism as trust territories," he said.

"But the United Nations has no more right to advise Britain about the policy she ought to pursue in building up social services or introducing constitutional reform in the colonies than to give its views on the proper functioning of the House of Lords."

"Our reasons for not wanting to throw the colonies into the arena at Lake Success is that this criticism is too often directed by anti-British and anti-colonial prejudices and too seldom directed to serve the genuine interests of the colonial people."

"This results from the ignorance and inexperience of non-administering powers," he added.

AFRICAN PROBLEMS
Speaking on the problems of Eastern and Central Africa, Lord Listowel said that in these vast areas, where the vast areas of Africa, Indians and Arabs, had made their homes for generations.

They must now be regarded as belonging to these countries just as much as the Africans themselves. Their skill, enterprise and ingenuity had made possible the economic and social progress which would have been inconceivable without them.

"There is so much to be done for the future that it is essential that every responsible person, whether European, African or Indian, should play their part in building up a prosperous economy and political responsibility."

Lord Tweedmuir (Conservative), who initiated the debate, also criticized the United Nations Trusteeship Council.

His criticism amounts to intervention we must make absolutely crystal clear that ours, and ours alone, is the responsibility," he said.

TO THE PEOPLE
He thought that a most dangerous state of uncertainty existed in the colonies, which was the very antithesis of real leadership.

The four main communities—African, European, Arab and Indian—should have equal rights, he considered. He thought the impression time was not far off before the ballot box would become the instrument of policy.

The Government could not afford to allow the impression to be fostered that minorities of race in Eastern and Central Africa, whether racial or religious, would be unprotected.

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Representation by community appeared to be the object to strive for. "What we must make absolutely clear is that when we hand over power it will be to all the people and not merely to one section," he said.

DANGEROUS PRECEDENT
London, Nov. 30.—Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, today described as "a very dangerous precedent" the very dangerous precedent of the grievances of the natives of Southwest Africa at the United Nations.

Replying to questions in the House of Commons, he said: "The British Government considers that a hearing in the Committee of the United Nations General Assembly of a private person claiming to represent a group of individuals is a thoroughly undesirable precedent and might lead to requests for hearings by any persons representing a group with complaints against their Government."

Mr. Mayhew said that he was making no comment whatever on the justice or injustice of the case put forward by the Rev. Michael Scott.

"The Assembly and its Committees are not appropriate bodies for such a task," he said.

Mr. Lyall Wilkes (Labour) asked why the British representative at Lake Success voted with the South African representative to exclude the Rev. Scott from making representations to the United Nations about the treatment of certain native tribes in Southwest Africa by the South African Government.

CHAMPIONING THE WEAK
Mr. Wilkes added that since the South African Government had refused to send any representative to the United Nations, the United Nations should be asked to consider the case of the South African Government.

Mr. Mayhew: "The question is to what extent this is a matter for the Government of South Africa alone and to what extent it is a matter for the United Nations. That whole question, it is now decided, is to be put to the International Court."

Mr. Lipson, Independent: "Would it not have been more in accordance with the British tradition to champion the weak if the Government had not taken refuge on a technical point?"

"Will you give an assurance that in future the Government's policy will be influenced by justice and not by political expediency?"

Mr. Mayhew: "I am making no comment whatever on the justice or injustice of the case put forward by the Rev. Scott. If we allow the procedure of the United Nations and the Charter to be twisted in this way there is no knowing where it will end."

REPERCUSSIONS
Mr. Thomas Driberg (Labour) asked: "Whatever the legalistic evasions behind which the United Nations has been hiding, are you aware of the repercussions on our failure to stand up to South Africa on this question?"

Mr. Mayhew: "I do not accept the implications of that question. The Foreign Secretary has been constantly in touch with this question."

Mr. Ian Mikardo (Labour) asked why the British representative did not support the question going to the Hague Court.

Mr. Mayhew: "We have all along taken the view that it should be referred to the Court. But I must ask for notice of particular aspects of the resolution made it necessary for us to abstain."

But on the principle of sending it to the Court, we have all along championed that."

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there was any breach of precedent. "What does the Minister think is the right method for a minority group to have its infringed rights investigated by a United Nations tribunal?"

Mr. Mayhew: "There are other ways of having their grievances raised outside the United Nations. Within the United Nations there is a discussion on a Convention of Human Rights, where, under certain safeguards, it might be possible to raise these matters."

"But to raise them in the one way it was raised is a very dangerous precedent," Reuter.

Price Of A Wife



Jo Woodward, 29, air hostess, has a handsome sheepskin rug in her Westminster flat. It was the "price" paid for her by a native trader in Benghazi. He wanted to buy her as a wife. Jo thought the rug was a gift. "They told me about the 'bargain' afterwards," she says. (London Express Service.)

Atlantic Pact Defence Scheme Near Approval

Paris, Nov. 30.—Spokesmen of the United States and Canada today predicted swift agreement when the Defence Ministers of the 12 Atlantic Pact nations meet here tomorrow to study a co-ordinated defence scheme which was approved yesterday by their Chiefs of Staff.

The American Defence Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson, said that he expected the Ministers to "adopt harmoniously" the overall plan. Within half an hour of the end of tomorrow's meeting he hopes to be on his way to Washington to give President Truman a first-hand report.

The Canadian Defence Minister, Mr. Brooke Claxton, told reporters here that the meeting would be the completion of the second stage and a little later than the beginning of the third stage—that of strategic requirements.

"Not only have we got as between Canada and the United States, the work of the North Atlantic group very well advanced, but also in Western Union we have the work of the Western European group well advanced."

NEW CZECH LABOUR DECREE
Prague, Nov. 30.—The Council announced today that no new labour would be allowed to private enterprise. It also decreed that workers in heavy industries and mining are to be virtually frozen in their jobs.

The measures, published in the newspaper Mladá Fronta, has two apparent motives:

1. To supply manpower and increase production in essential industries.

2. To hasten the end of remaining private enterprises. The Council also ordered manpower to be shifted from administrative and other white collar jobs to the mines, factories, agriculture and forestry.

Prague's big nationalised hotels have posted notices that 38 will be replaced by women.

The liquidation of remaining private enterprises in another field—publishing—becomes effective on January 1.

The periodical, Tvorba, said it would close the last loophole through which a few non-Communist books "still slip through."

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24-Hour Strike In Italy

Rome, Nov. 30.—Italy's railways will be stopped for only two hours during tomorrow's nation-wide 24-hour general strike, a spokesman for the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour said today.

The Confederation (CGIL) called the strike early yesterday in angry protest against the slaying of two peasants in a clash with Italian police near Bari, along Italy's Adriatic coast. A government communique said the men were killed when police "involuntarily" fired a volley from a sub-machine gun.

The Confederation (CGIL) which has 5,000,000 members, added, however, that all other CGIL members except emergency hospital workers will be on strike tomorrow. City and inter-urban transport will be halted.

Newspapers will be suspended and shops and factories will close.

The government has appealed for patience and order in which to begin a long-awaited land reform programme, involving the redistribution of about one-tenth of all cultivated land.

In the past few months there have been repeated clashes between police and impoverished peasants in South Italy, where Communists have led large-scale invasions of private farmlands.—Associated Press.

TALKS ON S. AFRICA'S URANIUM

Pretoria, Nov. 30.—Discussions between the South African Atomic Energy Board and British and United States experts on the production of uranium in South Africa "made considerable progress," an official statement said here today.

The discussions have been concluded but, the statement said, it was expected that further talks would be held in a few months' time.

The talks, held at the invitation of the Union Government, were between representatives of the United States Atomic Energy Commission, the British Government and the South African Board.

They were a continuation of previous conferences among technical representatives of the three Governments which have been held over the past few years.

Gold-uranium deposits have been reported in very small quantities in the Witwatersrand fields in South Africa. Last year passed legislation vesting in the Government the sole rights to uranium deposits.—Reuter.

U MAUNG IN LONDON

London, Nov. 30.—Burmese Foreign Minister U Maung stopped off today in London to discuss with British officials problems of interest to both countries.

He was en route back to Rangoon from the United Nations meeting in Lake Success, Foreign Office spokesman said today. The Burmese leader is to visit the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, on Friday afternoon by a British Overseas Airlines Corporation plane for Rangoon.

It is expected that the progress of the Burmese Government's campaign to eliminate armed rebels will be one matter which U Maung will discuss with various British officials. The question of recognition of the Chinese Communists is another probable topic of discussion.—Associated Press.

Moslem Rebels In Indonesia

Batavia, Nov. 30.—Three civilians and 80 members of the fanatical Moslem Darul Islam order were killed in heavy fighting in the past week in west and southern Java, military sources said today.

The sources said that Dutch and Indonesian Republican troops had joined in an effort to put down the rebellion. The Darul Islamists want to establish a religious state in Indonesia, the sources said.—United Press.

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Pope's Secret Consistory

Vatican City, Nov. 30.—Vatican sources announced today that Pope Pius had called a secret Consistory for December 12 to name three Cardinals Legates to take part in the Christmas Eve ceremonies for the opening of the Holy Year.

Vatican sources had speculated earlier that the Pope might use the occasion to create several new Cardinals. But the announcement of the Consistory made it plain that only Cardinal Legates would be named.—United Press.

Shinwell In Athens

Athens, Nov. 30.—Britain's War Secretary, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, arrived in Athens today and will be guest of honour at an official dinner for 80 persons tonight.

On the last lap of a Middle Eastern tour, Mr. Shinwell was met at Athens Airport by the Greek War Minister, Mr. Canollipoulos and the British Ambassador, Mr. Clifford Norton.—Associated Press.

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